

Kharke to prepare a draft application, as his appointment was a matter of course. Shangkai Ramlundun Bant (in the next case) dyed that he went to Mr. Crawford on some business. Mr. Crawford, asked Rs. 1,000, which witness gave. On a subsequent occasion, witness went to Mr. Crawford, and he asked for another Rs. 1,000. Witness said he could only give Rs. 500, and did give that amount. Putwardan stated that he went with Kharke to Namwantra, but saw nothing.

ALLAHABAD, December 17th.
At the High Court, before Mr. Justice Straight, Walter Francis Trotter, District Engineer, was placed in the dock, charged with having, on the 22nd July, at Bulandshahr, while entrusted with property, to wit, Rs. 75, in his capacity as a public servant, committed criminal breach of trust. Mr. Trotter conducted the prosecution, and Mr. Alston defended. Several witnesses were examined. The case is proceeding.

MADRAS, December 17th.
A vessel has been wrecked 60 miles east of Negapatnam. The report was made by the steamer *Olympia*, which was unable to render assistance. The steamer *Manalia* has gone to render assistance. The *Unballa* has arrived at Madras with four boats lost, and other injuries, during a recent cyclone south of Madras.

POONA, December 18th.
The thirty-third case was proceeded with to-day. A number of cases being taken of indebtedness by Mr. Crawford to several people carrying on business in Poona and Bombay as money-lenders, in sums ranging from twenty thousand to two thousand. Some of the money has been repaid, and decrees taken out for the balance. Ganesh Chinnajee Wad, Manuldar, stated that Mr. Crawford borrowed 500 from him at Bhusawal in March 1887, and that the money had not been repaid.

MADRAS, December 18th.
The appeal to the High Court by the late Deputy Collector of Calicut and his brother against their conviction and sentences for bribery was dismissed to-day, the sentences being confirmed.

NORTH BORNEO NEWS.

SANDAKAN.

The late Acting Governor, Mr. W. M. Crocker, has become a Director of the London Borneo Tobacco Company.

The failure of the successful growth of Tobacco at Sank, Sumatra, has entailed a heavy loss on Amsterdam and Rotterdam investors.

Messrs. F. E. Abrahamson & Co. have been granted conditionally two lots of 5,000 acres of land in the vicinity of the Padar River, West Coast District.

The Court of Directors have purchased 3 Bales of the Ranow Tobacco Crop to compete for the 550 pipes offered by the London Chamber of Commerce, in December next.

Dr. Lamb recently visited the Lahad Datu Estate, Darvel Bay, and reports only 90 coolies sick out of 350. The crop gathered is pronounced excellent and operations for next year's planting have already been commenced.

Good accounts come in from all the East and West Coast estates, the quality of the tobacco in Darvel Bay being considered particularly good. The health of the coolies too is most satisfactory, there being very few cases of beriberi or fever.

The Penik Government Gazette of the 12th No. notice, that a Tender for three years, of \$1,425,100 per annum, has been received for the Penik Revenue Farms from January 1889, being an increase of a little over 97 per cent. on previous years.

Coffee planting is in active progress on the Trading and Planting Co., Segalid estate. The samples of tobacco produced there are of very good quality and judging from the fine quality of the fruit of some trees found in the jungle, cocoa is likely to do well.

The arrival of large consignments of coolies has revealed an urgent necessity for coolie depots and the question is now receiving the attention of Government. But as some planters prefer the Captain China method of Deal it is doubtful which system will finally be decided on.

Steam communication is becoming more frequent every month and residents now expect to receive their English mail weekly instead of in a batch as formerly. The aggregate tonnage of the shipping entering and leaving Sandakan last month was 11,265 tons against 6,676 tons in January last.

A steamer, flying the French flag, was seen entering the harbor on the 22nd November last. On enquiry it was found to be the steamer *Y. Baptista*, 597 tons, Captain Giequet. She has been chartered by an enterprising Chinaman to run between Singapore, North Borneo Ports, Berau and Bulungan.

The East Borneo Company is not letting grass grow under its feet, jungle has been cleared and sheds erected as if by magic and coolies recently obtained on comparatively small advances from the West Coast near Gaya. These men are giving every satisfaction and other planters might follow Mr. Abrahamson's example with advantage thereby avoiding the heavy advances paid to Chinese and Javanese, and all risk of loss from desertions.

It is intended to take the Census of Sandakan and outstations during next month, and as it is a matter of interest to all concerned, we trust every assistance will be rendered by the people to make the returns as reliable and interesting as possible. The Census of Sandakan will be in the first instance include the Town limits only viz: Collinsons Hill on the East, Crocker Bridge on the West and on the North Mr. Pryer's fence on the Beatrice Estate. The census of the Bay will follow.

The steamship *Ban Watt Hin* chartered to bring coolies from Singapore for work on the Segagan Estate, Darvel Bay, arrived at Sandakan on the 28th ult. The steamer appears to have had a very unfortunate voyage. A fire was discovered two days out from Singapore but luckily was put out before much damage was done.

The passengers who consisted of five Europeans, 160 coolies and the Captain and crew of the ship are to be congratulated on their escape especially as we learn the ship carried only three boats of moderate size. The cause of the fire has not been ascertained. [The *Ban Watt Hin* was lost on December 5th on her voyage from Singapore to Sandakan. —Ed. H.K. Telegraph.]

During the greater part of the month of November the weather at Sandakan has been dry and the heat often trying at midday but the light showers of rain during the night have been sufficient to refresh vegetation and to temper the land breeze. No heavy rain has fallen here for months and on the whole the season has been most favourable to the tobacco crops. Indeed, those who ought to be best able to judge, tribute the superiority of the British North Borneo tobacco chiefly, if not altogether to the long autumnal droughts broken by their generally are by light nocturnal showers at pretty regular intervals. But the rumbling of thunder, the cloud-cast sky and heavy showers of the last few days foretell the approach of the rainy season.

KUDAK.

Many of the Estates are still cutting tobacco, a fact which surprises visitors accustomed to the earlier seasons in Dali.

Rain has fallen frequently and though the weather is decidedly cooler, the North East Monsoon has not yet set in with any regularity.

Mr. Ester S. Hui lately acting General Manager for the Rotterdam Borneo Tobacco Estates, leaves Marudu Bay on the 1st December to take charge of the East Borneo Tobacco Company lately formed in Hongkong.

The new Wharf is finished and is a fine substantial structure, available for the largest vessels on the Borneo Trade. The *Mennon* lay alongside on her late visit, an discharged her cargo and 150 coolies in less than an hour.

The Acting Resident West Coast District, Mr. D. Daly accompanied by Mrs. Daly left in the *Kimanis* on the 14th October en route for Province Dent, Labuan and Brunei, whither he proceeded on a diplomatic mission under instructions from His Excellency the Governor.

The *Parana* arrived on the 4th Dec. bringing with her the Count and Countess Geloos d'Elsoo; also Count Paul Geloos, and a large staff of gentlemen, who have already commenced operations on the London Borneo Tobacco Estate adjoining the Count's Estate at Ranow, Marudu Bay.

Charter-Day was suitably observed on the 1st November. A general holiday was proclaimed, the flagstaff dressed with bunting, and a native dance, got up by the Officers and some of the Tobacco Planters, proved a very amusing way of spending the evening. Actors and spectators alike, entering into the spirit of the fun.

Two of the leading Hanks Chinese Traders left in the *Mennon* for Hongkong, in order to buy more stock, and to escort several of their friends here, who have applied to the Government for passag tickets at the reduced rate of fares, obtainable from the subsidised Company. The object of the intending emigrants is to plant Pepper on the rich lands round Kudat Harbour.

Mr. G. Klum continues his indefatigable search for land for tobacco and is, we understand, satisfied with some land adjoining the British Borneo Trading and Planting Co.'s land on the Bulu river in Sandakan Bay. The Bay has been much neglected by land prospectors chiefly because the frontage land have been previously sold but there is no doubt that good land can be found at the back of the lands already sold, as was done by Mr. J. van Gogh, and the facilities for obtaining labor and supplies afforded by the proximity to Sandakan will, we think, more than counterbalance the cost of the road required which at \$300 a mile need not be more than \$1,000.—British North Borneo Herald, December 1st, 1888.

CHARTER-DAY AT SANDAKAN.

A Sandakan contemporary gives the following interesting account of a dinner given by the Governor of British North Borneo. It may contain one or two points that would be useful at another Government House.

His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Creagh entertained the Officials, residents, and visitors on the evening of Charter-Day, November 1st. Mrs. Creagh deserved and received the coolest congratulations on a great success. With temperature about 80° it would be a poor compliment to speak of warm congratulations. Adjectives must give place to latitude. The secret of the success (colonial papers please note) was great mercy. Picture the old times and the new!

Old Time. The perspiring sun has just gone to bathe in the western sea, leaving the air trembling with heat, and the thermometer a-tiptoe. Guests assemble. Dinner. Torpidity. Some discontent, owing to those who can't speak speaking, and those who can speak wanting to. More drowsiness. Adjournment of plethoric torpids to enjoy themselves and look lively. A python can't do it.

New Time. Atmospheric indications unchanged. Guests assemble. Hostess's smile the real nerve-stringing pick-me-up. No dinner, no penetrating perfidious perfumes from smoking joints and steaming vegetables, no heart-burnings lest 7 shouldn't be asked to speak and he should, no *mauvais quart-d'heure*, no flexion of the depresso anguli oris muscle (as the doctor lucidly remarks) indicative of dullness; but, instead, a delectable vista of a far-off supper table, cool and refreshing as the scenic arbor of Milan, but more satisfying, cool with piles of eclairage, bright with flowers. Everyone joins in once for the time the opaline unpleasantness of ham is cancelled by green glistening leaves, and salads seem to lower the temperature with glacier-like appetising dressing. There the shy man may feed when no one is looking, and the greedy man get four suppers without being found out. Oh! let us petition for a rectification of our charter. Hongkong got it, why shouldn't we? Let our gracious Queen make it compulsory on all Governors to give us suppers like this, and let the dread edict go forth that any Governor guilty of inflicting a dinner before a dance, in any latitude less than 30°, be condemned to four years chronic dyspepsia; and, above all, make every Governor graduate in matrimony. Petition, citizens, stand steadfast and fear not.

How we did dance! Those who could, and those who couldn't. How our musicians did play! Those who could, and those who couldn't. How we did sing! Those who could, and those who couldn't. How enjoyable it all was! Then what games we played, round games, square games, games of all shapes. Didn't "our only scientific" amuse us with what he called acoustic delusions in the median aural plane, and what we called child's play! And didn't the Cadet Department exhibit their matchless treasures of stutney, and wasn't it weak, wobbly and wonderful! Ah me, how the hours did fly, till the eastern clouds grew restless and showed signs of waking up. If we didn't cheer, after Sir Roger de Coverly and the National Anthem, till the new roof shook its attaps in sympathy, why then it was all a delightful dream, and may we have many more of them.

JAVA NEWS.

(From the Java papers.)

The present Governor General has given orders that, on the occurrence of vacancies, the names of officers on half pay are to be first submitted to him. There are instances of such officers who have waited years for re-employment, and in spite of all their efforts, are still starving with their wives and children.

The experiments recently made in Achene with carrier-pigeons do not seem to have met with great success; for in view of the despatch of a letter of a consignment, a circular has been round the Garrison of Batavia, asking if any of the officers or men have any special knowledge of the management of these messengers.

The *Batavia Handelsblad* states that of the hundred and sixty men who form the Garrison of Muntok, no less than eighty-seven have been admitted into hospital, suffering from beriberi. Twelve soldiers were sent to Batavia on the 17th inst. If they were alive when they arrived, they were to be sent to the hospital at Buitenzorg for treatment.

Sik, a constable formerly stationed at Tanan, being charged with having accepted a bribe to allow two prisoners to escape, was sentenced to five years hard labour in chains.

for the offence. Two other constables, attached to the same division, who were accused of being accessory to the offence, were acquitted.

An anonymous letter in Malay, containing details of the flight of the fugitive, which the disguised 'chap ji ki' game his recently been carried to Batavia, has induced the Assistant Resident to give instructions to the 'Major China' to take all possible precautions against its further spread.

By the B. I. steamer *Dacca* one hundred and seventy-three Javanese coolies recently returned to Batavia, having completed their contracts to work for three years in Queensland. We are informed that their savings may be estimated at £20 a man. This may, indeed, be considered riches, when we remember that the common Javan, after thirty years work in his own country, has nothing. And yet Java is considered a rich country!

The post of head of a village, as is well known, is an unpaid one, and one which, nevertheless, gives the holder plenty of work and that sometimes of by no means an agreeable nature, yet persons willing to accept it are found; Europeans are thereby exempted from the dejected service in the 'Schutterij,' while Chinese look upon it as a first step in the ladder which leads to the rank of officer. With Arabs, however, matters are otherwise; and they try by hook or by crook, to get rid of the appointment. An instance has recently occurred, the head village chief at Petojo, Said Ahmad bin Muhammad Shatio, having tendered his resignation on account of 'pressure of business.'

A bill has recently been introduced by the Dutch Government for regulating the travelling expenses and lodging allowances of members of the First, and the travelling expenses of those of the Second Chamber. The former may not only charge their travelling expenses by rail, boat or other public conveyance, inclusive of charges for luggage, but also cab hire to and from the station, provided the payments have been actually made. The allowance for each day that they attend the sittings of the Chamber is fixed at ten florins. Members of the second Chamber may make similar charges, on account of their journey to and fro, but only once during each sitting of the Chamber.

FORMOSA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

TAMSUI, December 26th, 1888.
From this quiet place news is scarce. Everything is quiet, and we are all enjoying our holidays in peace.

The *Feuchen* left for Piam on the 16th inst. with 500 soldiers on board, as well as the new Mandarin appointed for that place. It is to be hoped that under his management and tax collection no fresh revolt may occur.

The *Pechili* arrived here from your port on the 18th inst. She brought four large guns for the fort, one 43-ton, one 23 tons, and two 15 tons, all American breech-loaders. She discharged and landed the guns all safely, and is now discharging the carriages belonging to the guns, and in a few days will leave for your port.

On the 19th inst. we had a strong north-east gale, accompanied by heavy rain, and since then the weather has continued fine, with early morning and evening chilly.

The only vessels in port are the *Formosa* and *Pichili*—*Mercury*.

NINGPO.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Ningpo, 20th December, 1888.

The coming of the New-Year is bringing us splendid weather. 'Shootists' are having real good sport; a visitor from Shanghai, a member, I am told, of one of the big firms, a right good sportsman, has made one or two good bags; the one which came under my notice was the result of a d-y's shooting and consisted of six brace of pheasants, a turkey buzzard, and a fine brace of quails.

On the departure of the steamship *Tungchow* all the Ningpo 'leading-lights' (with due apologies to your correspondent of the 25th instant for making use of one of his pet expressions) turned out 'en masse' to bid adieu to one of their fraternity who is on his way to Canton on promotion. The customary strings of Chinese fire-crackers were heard casting their bombastic sounds, to give him a good send off, and wish him *un bon voyage*.

Shall I 'lead you to light' on the name of this individual who caused all this commotion? No! ask one of the leading-lights oh! I mean lamp-posts. We will drink his health and wish him every prosperity and success.

There is still a great competition between the rival steamers. We are expecting every day to hear the Chinese fare reduced to 10 cents.—*Mercury*.

HANKOW.

(FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Wednesday, 12th December, was a red letter day in the little Mission Settlement at the end of Hankow. The gateway of the mission premises was decorated *à la Chinoise* with many coloured bunting and sundry official chairs alighted at the door. The steam-tug kindly lent for the occasion might have been seen carefully threading its way up the river Han with a house-boat full of foreign friends in tow. The occasion was the opening of the first Mission Hospital for women and children in Hankow.

The presence of H.B.M. Consul, C. F. R. Allen, and the support he has given to the Institution brought a representative of H.E. the Taoist, together with the Subprefect and other Chinese officials who inspected the building and expressed their admiration of the internal arrangements.

At 12.30 an inaugural meeting was held in the Waiting Room of the Hospital. Prayer was offered for the blessing of God on the Institution and H.B.M. Consul was invited to preside. After expressing his cordial interest in all Christian and charitable work, and urging the claims of this Institution, he declared the Hospital open. Addresses were also delivered by the Rev. A. Foster of the London Mission, and the Rev. Bishop Boone. At the close of the meeting some sixty foreign friends together with a few Chinese ladies and gentry sat down to luncheon in the large ward of the Hospital—and in the evening a crowded meeting of Chinese Christians was also held.

On the three following days it was thought advisable to throw the building open for the inspection of the public and several thousands of the Chinese from all the neighbourhood around visited the place and passed through the wards and the order and friendliness of these crowds told how much a kindly recognition on the part of H.B.M. Consul and the Chinese authorities may help towards amicable relations with the people and foster confidence in missionary work.

The presentation of a gift tablet on the part of the Chinese Church, of Chinese lamps on the part of the Chinese women and of a worked coverlet on the part of young English friends last, has put the seal on the opening ceremony.—*H.K. Daily News*.

KOREA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Seul, December 17th, 1888.
We are always very uncertain as to how and by what steamers to send our mails, but by my correspondence being reproduced in the columns of your valuable journal, sometime or other, I cannot help observing that you receive it, occasionally either via Japan or Cholon. With the latter place we now enjoy regular communication per Chinese steamer *Kwangchi*, and Japanese *Tsuruga Maru*; and with Japan via *Fusuma* and *Cato*, per *Higo Maru*, via Fusan, while by the Chinese steamer, the *Tsuruga Maru*, we have direct communication, during the winter, with Nagasaki.

There is reason to believe that the Municipal elections in Chemulpo will be somewhat modified. I hear that the German Consul-General, Mr. Krien, is opposed to the election of Mr. Schöncke as a Municipal Councillor, and justly so; in spite of all his verbal and written canvassing, Mr. Schöncke, the acting Commissioner of Customs at our seaport, who is actually an assistant in the Chinese Customs, succeeded in obtaining nine votes, as a Municipal Councillor, by Japanese, two by some of his own subordinates, and the ninth vote is not known, but it is generally supposed that the ninth vote secured by him was his own. Why he should have forced himself upon the community as a candidate is only comprehensible on the supposition that he wanted to create upon his lord and maker, Sir Robert, the impression of his great popularity in Chemulpo; nobody really has much of a grudge against him in that place, except on this occasion. The land regulations read, in plain English, that nobody expect a registered landowner shall be entitled to vote at Municipal elections. Since there is not the slightest doubt that the illegal election of Mr. Schöncke is cancelled, it is generally supposed that either Mr. C. Wolter, the next on the list, must take his place, or that the whole of the election business must be cancelled, started anew, and that the land regulations must be re-framed, which latter certainly would be the wisest plan. But considering the small-pace of Municipal affairs in Chemulpo, such a course could certainly not be expected within the present century; and perhaps it is better for the Chemulpo-lancers to jog along with what they have got and be thankful for small mercies, and leave something for the next generation to fight for. There is very little floating ice off Mapoo, three miles from here, and sixty miles from Chemulpo. At the latter place there is none at all. Excuse me, I just hear there are plenty water-fowl on the river, and I must go to 'berth' some of them. Chin-chin.

December 21st.

As you are aware, we have no foreign press, and you will readily understand that if we have any grievance to ventilate we must go elsewhere. The *Shanghai Mercury* being extensively read amongst foreigners in Korea, I am aware that every little complaint frequently finds an echo in the columns of your valuable paper, as far as Korea is concerned. For instance, I note that several correspondents, both from Chemulpo and the Capital, have aired their views regarding the illegality of the Commissioner of Customs at Chemulpo being elected as a Municipal Councillor, although he is no landowner, and only landowners are eligible to serve on the Council. Perhaps your correspondent in Chemulpo will be satisfied now; Mr. Schöncke, having resigned his seat on the Council, but without some pressure having been brought to bear on him by his Consul. Some people even think that Sir R. Hart has given the benefit of his opinion on the subject, but that I consider unlikely, unless it has been done by telegraph, the Peiho river navigation being now practically closed, as I understand. Our own river may be considered still clear of ice, small floating floes excepted. Lots of good shooting here now, especially water-fowl.

Chemulpo, Dec. 26th.
As you can imagine, things are very quiet here in Chemulpo. The Commissioner gave the European members of the staff a dinner on Christmas night, at which all were present and spent a pleasant evening. *Nous autres barbares* had a jolly good time of it too.

Steinbeck's Bowling Saloon was opened yesterday, and they did a roaring and rolling business. News arrived from Seoul yesterday that the German Consulate there was burned down on Christmas Eve, but I have not yet heard the particulars. We are still experiencing the most beautiful weather you could imagine at this time of year; no snow, rain, or heavy blows for some time past; just a gentle frost during the nights, and the days simply splendid.

I suppose you have heard that Mr. Schöncke has tendered his resignation as a member of the Municipality. Everybody is quite well and all join in wishing you and your readers a happy and prosperous New Year, all the compliments of the season, and many happy returns of the same.

As far as my information goes, there is no political significance in the matter of the burning down of the German Consulate, and no intentional incendiarism is concerned. It is said to be a matter of sheer accident. A vague rumour has it that it was caused by the blaze of the Christmas tree, but that I consider very unlikely. Politically there is nothing doing here, and so is the *s. s. Velox*, now in harbour; she does nothing. Some wags say she is to take the King and Royal family to the Sulphur Springs in Japan. Another *canard* is that she is to take the Royal family and suite to Hongkong, to view the Peak Tramway; but that much is certain that somebody is making a fine pile out of the charter of the *s. s. Velox*. Some people say that she is chartered at \$4,000, others have it that she is in monthly charter for \$4,500.

No ice yet in the harbour! I have nothing to add except to wish your good self and the readers of the *Shanghai Mercury* the complement of the season.

[She is chartered for four months at \$4,000 per month.—*H.K. Daily News*.]

TIENTSIN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Tientsin, 8th December.
From Honan I learn that the Ching Chow gap is almost closed. On the 24th ult. only 180 feet remained open. This I learn was on account of the breach at Jung Tse, through which the Yellow River now discharges. The breach at Ching Chow is now dry and therefore easily closed; but the question is how about closing the Jung Tse gap, which is situated in a sand bed. From Feking I learn that His Excellency Marquis Taeng has been appointed Governor of Honan, which really means that the Yellow River will have to be closed by foreign aid and method. If this is really the case, of course Taeng is the best and only man fitted to be in charge of Honan, etc. According to report here, Taeng is pleading hard not to be appointed, but it is said that His Majesty is firm on the subject. H. E. Cheu Cheng-tch is appointed as official director of the Tung-chow-Tientsin Railway, in place of H. E. Chow Lin. The edict for the Tung-chow line authorizes foreign capital, and I hear the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank tendered yesterday to supply the needful at 7 1/2 per cent.

10th December, 1888.
The *Ching Tien*, the issue of Saturday last, has got ice on the ponds, and not only that but has actually placed skaters on the ice. This is a very rare sight in Tientsin.

they failed to discover the ice. This piece of information came from the Mysterious One. Instead of ice we have had quite warm weather. I see nothing in our local paper about the tenders for the Tung-chow railway, yet I am certain the editor knows that someone has stepped in with a tender of Tls. 2,200 per li. By what I can make out, it requires 66 tons of rails and sleepers per li, and these delivered at Tientsin at 27 per ton, at 4s. 4d., comes to Tls. 2,125, 20 a li—so there is not much to be made out of it.—*Mercury*.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

7th January, 1889.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.	Thermometer in shade in degrees Fahrenheit.	Thermometer in sun in degrees Fahrenheit.	Direction and Force of Wind.	State of Sky.	Remarks.
Wanchow	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Shanghai	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Amoy	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Hankow	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Harbin	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Manila	30.13	58	68	W	bc	

8th January, 1889.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.	Thermometer in shade in degrees Fahrenheit.	Thermometer in sun in degrees Fahrenheit.	Direction and Force of Wind.	State of Sky.	Remarks.
Wanchow	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Shanghai	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Amoy	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Hankow	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Harbin	30.13	58	68	W	bc	
Manila	30.13	58	68	W	bc	

The barometer has fallen in the northern and risen in the south. Gradients for north wind are 0.0000. Overcast, cold and rather dry weather prevails.

—Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. —Thermometer in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit. —Thermometer in sun in degrees Fahrenheit. —Direction of the wind in points. —Force of the wind according to Beaufort's scale. —State of the weather. —Time sky. —Direction of the wind in points. —Force of the wind according to Beaufort's scale. —State of the weather. —Time sky. —Direction of the wind in points. —Force of the wind according to Beaufort's scale. —State of the weather. —Time sky.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register.)

Barometer—4 a.m.	Thermometer—4 a.m.	Thermometer—10 a.m.	Thermometer—4 p.m.	Thermometer—10 p.m.	Thermometer—Minimum (over night)
30.13	58	68	78	68	58
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Hongkong, 8th January, 1889. [66]

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 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 97 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Insurance Company—\$165 per share, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150, per share.
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 China Fire Insurance Company—\$79 per share, sellers.
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 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—1721 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$170 per share, nominal.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—20 per cent. dis., sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$66 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$195 per share, sellers.
 Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$85 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$102 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$121 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—21 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$88 per share, buyers.
 Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$5 per share, nominal.
 Punjion and Sanyue Duan Samantan Mining Co.—\$7 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—75 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—110 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—250 per cent. premium, nominal.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$60 per share, buyers.
 The Seng Lee Planting Co., Ltd.—\$39 per share, sellers.
 Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—\$50 per share, sellers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—40 per cent. dis., nominal.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$65 per share, sales and buyers.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/6 1/2
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/6 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 20 days' sight 3/6 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/6 1/2
 Credits at 4 months' sight 3/6 1/2
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/6 1/2
 ON PARIS.—Bank, T. T. 3/7 1/2
 Credits at 4 months' sight 3/7 1/2
 ON INDIA, T. T. 2/3
 On Demand 2/3 1/2
 ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 7 1/2
 Private, 30 days' sight 7 1/2

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA, per picul, \$630
 (Allowance, Tels 4 to 30).
 OLD MALWA, per picul, \$600
 (Allowance, Tels 15 to 32).
 NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest \$580
 NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest \$582 1/2
 NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest \$593 1/2
 NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest \$575
 NEW BENGAL, (without choice) per chest \$557 1/2
 NEW BENGAL, (bottom) per chest \$570
 NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul \$550
 OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul \$475

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Brigit*, with the English mail, left Singapore at 6 a.m. on the 3rd instant, and may be expected here on or about the 9th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
 The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with the American mail of 8th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 3rd instant for this port, and may be expected here on or about the 9th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
 The Canadian Pacific steamer *Batavia*, with the Canadian mail, left Vancouver on the 25th ultimo for Japan and Hongkong.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Kashgar*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 29th ultimo, and is due here on the 8th instant.
 The D. D. R. steamer *Hesperia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 2nd instant, and is expected here on the 9th.
 The steamer *Prosperta* left Singapore on the morning of the 5th instant, and is expected here on the 11th.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.
 AMIGO, German steamer, 771, T. A. Bruhn, 7th Jan., Haiphong 4th Jan., and Hoihow 6th, General and Rice—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
 CALEDONIAN, French steamer, 2632, H. de Maubeuge, 7th Jan., Shanghai 5th Jan., Mails and General—Messageries Maritimes.
 NAMKIAN, British steamer, 999, McKee, 7th Jan., Singapore 29th Dec., and Hoihow 6th Jan., General—Orders.
 MYRMIDON, British steamer, 999, Nelson, 7th Jan., Swatow 6th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.
 POSIDON, Austro-Hungarian, 2512, S. Messa, 8th Jan., Trieste 2nd Nov., and Singapore 1st Jan., General—Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co.

WINGSANO, British steamer, 1517, A. de St. Croix, 8th Jan., Calcutta 22nd Dec., and Singapore 31st, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 FOKIEN, British steamer, 509, J. Lewis, 8th Jan., Tamsui 4th Jan., Amoy 6th, and Swatow 7th, General—D. Laprak & Co.
 VORWARTS, German steamer, 612, J. Bruhn, 8th Jan., Tournon, and Hoihow 7th Jan., General—Wieler & Co.
 PERKING, British steamer, 954, G. Heuermann, 8th Jan., Shanghai 5th Jan., General—Siemssen & Co.
 AMOY, German steamer, 814, R. Kohler, 8th Jan., Shanghai 5th Jan., Rice—Siemssen & Co.
 KELLY, British bark, 803, Land, 8th Jan., Haiphong 7th Dec., Ballast—D. Musso & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
 SOOCHOW, British steamer, for Swatow.
 OCEANIC, British steamer, for Macao, &c.
 CHONGKANG, British steamer, for Swatow.
 FUSHIKI MARU, Japanese steamer, for Kutchinot.
 Cheang Hye Ting, British steamer, for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.
 January 7, *Himalaya*, British troopship, for Singapore.
 January 8, *Kong Beng*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
 January 8, *Benlawers*, British steamer, for Kobe, &c.
 January 8, *Widdell*, German str., for Swatow.
 January 8, *Formosa*, British str., for Swatow.
 January 8, *Anton*, German str., for Hoihow, &c.
 January 8, *Oceanic*, British steamer, for Yokohama, &c.
 January 8, *Peking*, German str., for Whampoa.
 January 8, *Ingraham*, German steamer, for Swatow, &c.
 January 8, *Apenrade*, German steamer, for Nagasaki.
 January 8, *Norden*, Norwegian steamer, for Port Said.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.
 Per *Amoy*, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. G. W. Dillberg, and 10 Chinese.
 Per *Wingang*, str., from Calcutta, &c.—Mrs. Gaspard, 2 Master Gaspars and 2 servants, and 33 Chinese.
 Per *Peking*, str., from Shanghai.—68 Chinese.
 Per *Fokien*, str., from Tamsui, &c.—Messrs. J. Schuter, E. E. Smith, and J. Noodt, 1 European and 77 Chinese.
 Per *Amigo*, str., from Haiphong, &c.—21 Chinese.
 Per *Soochow*, str., from Swatow.—18 Chinese.
 Per *Namkiang*, str., from Singapore, &c.—509 Chinese.
 Per *Posidon*, str., from Trieste, &c.—6 Europeans and 205 Chinese.
 Per *Caledonian*, str., from Shanghai for Hongkong.—Mrs. L. Heine, Messrs. W. H. Wickham and Stempel, and 3 Chinese.
 Per *Wooching*, str., from H. R. Smith, Messrs. A. C. Marshall, K. Fujita, Ohimaru, Joseph Davey, Yatabe, and Mr. H. Mabuchi's servant.
 Per *Shanghai* for Singapore.—Mr. E. A. Bush, Mr. Marselles.—Mr. and Mrs. Brandt, G. Girault, F. West, and Marcus Synnot.
 Per *Wooching* for Saigon.—Mr. Lambert. For Singapore.—Mr. T. Nakagawa (Japan Consul), Messrs. C. B. Crouse and S. R. Magnard.
 For *Marselles*.—Mrs. Hissa Oyama, Mr. Ed. Shepherd and son, Messrs. T. Oyama, A. Preuliche, Maruno, J. Yamada, N. Koma-i, O. Takahashi, K. Nishio, S. Nakashima, and Mr. K. Yamakawa's servant.
 DEPARTED.
 Per *Oceanic*, str., for Yokohama.—Dr. R. H. Thimble and native servant, Messrs. G. H. Snowbridge, A. J. Vantine, Man Lee and child. For San Francisco.—Messrs. H. L. Hutchinson and C. H. Lombard. For London.—Mrs. Veitch and infant.

REPORTS.
 The British steamship *Soochow* reports that she left Swatow on the 6th instant. Had strong monsoon with heavy sea and gloomy weather.
 The British steamship *Wingang* reports that she left Calcutta on the 22nd ultimo, and Singapore on the 31st. Had strong monsoon and heavy sea from lat. 7° north to port.
 The Austro-Hungarian steamship *Posidon* reports that she left Trieste on the 22nd Nov., and Singapore on the 1st instant. From Singapore to Pulo Sapatu had fine weather. The rest of the passage had strong north-east winds with squalls.
 The German steamship *Peking* reports that she left Shanghai on the 2d instant. Had fresh north-east wind to Pekingian; from there had north-east and northerly wind; the latter part of the voyage had fresh north-west wind with cloudy and overcast weather throughout.
 The British steamship *Namkiang* reports that she left Singapore on the 29th ultimo at noon. Had fine weather and smooth sea to 18 north latitude to Hoihow; thence strong north-east wind and head sea; arrived at Hoihow on the 5th instant, and discharged one hundred and eighty-nine passengers. Left at 6 a.m. on the 6th. Had strong north-easterly wind and high head sea to arrival.
 The British steamship *Fokien* reports that she left Tamsui on the 4th instant, Amoy on the 6th, and Swatow on the 7th. From Tamsui to Amoy had strong north-north-east winds and cloudy weather with a slight sea. From Amoy to Swatow had strong north-east winds and squally weather with rain at intervals. From Swatow to Hongkong had moderate north-north-east breeze and fine clear weather. In Amoy, the steamship *Yorkshire*, H.M.S. *Exeter* and a Chinese Squadron. In Swatow, the steamships *Pakistan* and *Johann Brun*.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Europe, &c., Australia, India, via, Madras, —Per *Caledonian*, to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 11 a.m.
 For Amoy.—Per *Namkiang*, to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 2.30 p.m.
 For New York via Suez Canal.—Per *Yorkshire*, to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 3.30 p.m.
 For Swatow, Amoy, & Fookchow.—Per *Haikun*, to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 5.00 p.m.
 For Haiphong.—Per *Freja*, to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 5.00 p.m.
 For Amoy and Tamsui.—Per *Fokien*, on Thursday, the 10th instant, at 11.30 a.m.
 For Amoy, Wooning, Kobe, Yokohama, and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Abyssinia*, on Thursday, the 10th instant, at 11.30 a.m.
 For Saigon.—Per *Duburg*, on Thursday, the 10th instant, at 2.30 p.m.
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Taitou*, on Friday, the 11th instant, at 11.30 a.m.
 For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Bormida*, on Monday, the 11th instant, at 11.30 a.m.
 For Europe, &c., India, via Bombay.—Per *Sutlej*, on Wednesday, the 10th instant, at 10.00 a.m.
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Ancona*, on Friday, the 18th instant, at 11.30 a.m.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ABYSSINIA, British steamer, 3,500, Geo. A. Lee, 12th Dec., Vancouver 13th Nov., and Nagasaki 8th Dec., General—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 ALBANY, British steamer, 1,498, E. Porter, 5th Jan., Vancouver 6th Dec., and Yokohama 29th, Mails and General—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 ASHINGTON, German steamer, 850, C. Zindel, 3rd Jan., Kutchinot 29th Dec., Coals—Siemssen & Co.
 AUGUST, Norwegian steamer, 1,018, P. Isberg, 6th Jan., Nagasaki 31st Dec., Coals—Takasima Colliery Co.
 BORMIDA, Italian steamer, 1,890, E. De Negri, 3rd Jan., Bombay, and Singapore 24th Dec., General—Carlowitz & Co.
 CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, Bremner, 25th Dec., Swatow 24th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 CHANG HYE TING, British steamer, 923, J. G. Scott, 6th Jan., Singapore 30th Dec., General—Bun Hin Chan.
 CLARA, German steamer, 674, Christensen, 7th Jan., Haiphong 3rd Jan., and Hoihow 5th, Rice—Siemssen & Co.
 DEVONHURST, Dutch steamer, 1,164, Houtkoff, 6th Jan., Batavia 20th Dec., and Singapore 27th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 DORIS, German steamer, 771, T. Raben, 7th Jan., Haiphong 4th Jan., Rice and General—Wieler & Co.
 DUBURG, German steamer, 921, C. F. Dettel, 5th Jan., Saigon 31st Dec., General—Melchers & Co.
 FAME, British steamer, 1,174, A. Stopan, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 FIDELIO, German steamer, 853, H. Bransen, 3rd Jan., Haiphong 25th Dec., General—Melchers & Co.
 FREJA, Danish steamer, 397, C. A. Lund, 30th Dec., Haiphong 28th Dec., General—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 HAIPHONG, British steamer, 1,122, H. C. H. Harris, 5th Jan., Kobe 30th Dec., General and Coal—D. Laprak & Co.
 HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, S. Ashton, 30th Dec., Fookchow 29th Dec., Amoy 28th, and Swatow 29th, General—D. Laprak & Co.
 JOHANNES BRUN, Norwegian steamer, 716, 31st Dec., Haiphong, 24th Dec., 28th Dec., Rice and Pies.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
 PHRA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, Wharton, 6th Jan., Bangkok 30th Dec., Rice—Yuen Fat Hong.
 PRUGOCH, French steamer, 183, Robin, 17th Dec., Tournon 11th December, Coal—Wing Tay.
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopan, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 SARTHE, French steamer, 470, Lehnede, 7th Jan., Bangkok 22nd Dec., General—A. R. Marty.
 THIBET, British steamer, 1,671, P. W. Case, 3rd Jan., Bombay 1st Dec., and Singapore 27th, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 TRIUMPH, German steamer, 677, P. Mook, 22nd Dec., Haiphong 19th Dec., and Hoihow 21st, General—Wieler & Co.
 TRITON, German steamer, 1,142, A. Bleicken, 6th Jan., Panarcon 23rd Dec., Sugar—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
 YANGTSE, German steamer, 814, C. Tonningsen, 2nd Jan., Whampoa 2nd Jan., General—Siemssen & Co.
 YEHSIN, Chinese steamer, 714, Buchanan, 18th Dec., Shanghai 15th Dec., Kerosine Oil—C. M. S. N. Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ALTAIR, British bark, 390, T. Munro, 1st Dec., Newchwang, via Amoy 28th Nov., Beans and Melon Seed—Orders.
 ARCADIA, British bark, 417, D. S. Eward, 25th Nov., Whampoa 24th Nov., General—Wieler & Co.
 AUGUSTA, German bark, 473, Jensen, 5th Dec., Hoihow 18th Nov., Sanpanwood—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
 BYLGIA, German bark, 333, P. Weiss, 16th Dec., Amoy 14th Dec., General—Wieler & Co.
 COLOMA, American bark, 852, C. M. Wages, 4th Dec., Portland (Oregon) and Nov., Lumber and Spars—Captain.
 DANIEL BARNES, American ship, 1,436, J. G. Stover, 17th Dec., Honolulu 12th Nov., Ballast—Orders.
 ESMERALDA, British sch., 150, H. T. Williams, 2nd Dec., Marianas 8th Dec., General—Orders.
 ERKORNIK, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination bulk, Stonecutters' Island—Chinese Customs.
 ITON, French bark, 542, Régner, 24th Dec., Cebu 28th December, General—Melchers & Co.
 JOHN NICHOLSON, British steamer, 683, W. Quinn, 18th Dec., Honolulu 16th Nov., Ballast—Captain.
 MERCUR, British brigantine, 219, Dick, 12th Dec., Amoy 11th Dec., General—Orders.
 ORIENT, German bark, 461, Gondard, 31st Dec., Amoy 29th Dec., Ballast—H. A. Peterson.
 SARAH SKIDWAY, American bark, 821, A. Call, 20th Dec., Nagasaki 21st Dec., Coal—C. J. T. Co.
 TARAPACA, British bark, 492, H. Kennett, 6th Dec., Sandakan 24th October, Timber—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 VELOCITY, British bark, 491, R. Martin, 14th Nov., Honolulu 3rd October, Old Iron—Chinese.

RIVER STEAMERS.

Faishan, British steamer, 2,260, S. W. Goggin, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
 Hankow, British steamer, 2,235, Lloyd—Butterfield & Swire.
 Ho-nam, British steamer, 1,377, G. B. Lefavour, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
 ICHANG, British steamer, 1,250, T. Shaw, Butterfield & Swire.
 Kia-kiang, British steamer, 617, W. E. Clarke, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
 Kiang-chow, British steamer, 559, McIver, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
 Pasi, Chinese steamer, 284, J. W. Slavers, Tok Kee (aid up for repairs).
 Kiang-ping, Chinese steamer, 360, Holmes—China Merchants S. N. Co.
 Powan, British steamer, 1,500, J. P. Hoyland, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
 White Cloud, British steamer, 397, W. J. Risby, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

WHAMPOA.

CHOYANG, British steamer, 1,104, Balbernie, 1st January, Shanghai 27th Dec., and Swatow 31st, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 KONG-PAI, Chinese steamer, 601, F. A. Bristow, 4th Jan., Shanghai 1st Jan., General—C. M. S. N. Co.
 KOWLOON, British steamer, 1,467, Wood, and 2nd Jan., Waiho 29th January, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Kashgar	Bombay	January 8th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Hesperia	Singapore	January 9th	Siemssen & Co.
City of Rio de Janeiro	San Francisco	January 9th	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
Prosperta	Singapore	January 12th	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
Batavia	Vancouver	January 22nd	Adamson, Bell & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Sutlej	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 16th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Telemachus	Butterfield & Swire.	January 15th.
Marsailles, via Saigon, &c.	Caledonian	Messageries Maritimes.	To-morrow, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call.	Bayern	Melchers & Co.	Jan. 20th, at 10 a.m.
Trieste, via Straits, &c.	Posidon	Austro-Hung. Lloyd's Co.	Jan. 23th, at noon.
Genoa, via Bombay, &c.	Bormida	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	About Jan. 14, noon.
San Francisco, via Whampoa	City of Rio de Janeiro	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 17th, at 1 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via A. &c.	Gaelic	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Jan. 26th, at 1 p.m.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Abyssinia	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 10th, at noon.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Thibet	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 11th, at noon.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Ancona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 18th, at noon.
Bengal	Bengal	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
Haiphong	Clara	A. R. Marty.	Jan. 10th, daylight.
Amoy and Tamsui	Fokien	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Jan. 10th, at noon.
Swatow and Bangkok	Phra Chom Kiao	Yuen Fat Hong	Jan. 13th, at 8 a.m.
Coast Ports	Haitan	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Jan. 10th, daylight.

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